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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a), Applicants hereby petition for a 5 month extension of the period for responding to the office action mailed April 14, 2004 in connection with the aboveidentified application.

A response to the office action is being submitted concurrently herewith.

In view of a recent assignment of this application, the Applicants now are entitled to pay reduced fees as a Small Entity, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.27.

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